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## EDUCATION

### University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

*Masters degree in Computer Science (GPA: 4/4)* with specialization in Artificial Intelligence

Urbana, IL  
Aug '19 - Dec '20

- **Coursework:** Computer Vision, Advanced Information Retrieval, Machine Learning in NLP, Autonomous Vehicles, UI Design
- **Teaching Experience:** Natural Language Processing, Discrete Structures

### Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS), Pilani

*Bachelor of Engineering (Hons.) in Computer Science (GPA: 9.72/10)*

Hyderabad, India  
Aug '15 - May '19

## EXPERIENCE

### Amazon Web Services (AWS)

*Software Development Engineer Intern*

Greater Seattle Area, WA  
May '20 - Aug '20

- Deployed **Java APIs** to **AWS** cloud for providing preview of tasks to be performed by technicians in Amazon data centers
- Analyzed complex BPMN Workflows extracted from **Amazon Dynamo DB** to identify expected order of task execution
- Tested code with Unit, Integration and Load testing using **JUnit**, **Mockito**, and **TestNG**

### University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

*Research Assistant with Prof. Kevin Chang*

Urbana, IL  
Aug '19 - May '20

- Experimented a **Visual Attention-based Model** in **PyTorch** for novel Webpage Object Detection formulation
- Utilized contextual information using visual features of ordered web elements extracted using **Resnet18**
- Created **largest public labeled dataset of 7.7k product webpage screenshots**
- Achieved **95%** accuracy for product Price detection (**8.5%** above **Fast-RCNN**) and interpreted Attention Visualizations

### Microsoft Research

*Research Intern*

Bengaluru, India  
Jan '19 - Jul '19

- Implemented **Graph RNNs** in **TensorFlow** to **Learn Embeddings** for **300k** entities in a heterogeneous graph
- Collaborated with a **team of 10** to design a novel Deep Neural Net architecture for **recommending messages** in MSTeams
- Outperformed **Graph Convolutional Networks** on **5** benchmark datasets for rating prediction and ranking tasks

### BITS Pilani

*Research Assistant*

Hyderabad, India  
Jan '18 - Dec '18

- Analyzed **Twitter Stream** for **Event Detection** and achieved a precision of **88.1%** (absolute improvement of **8%**)
- Segmented tweets and hash-tags; applied Jarvis-Patrick clustering; summarized newsworthy events

## PUBLICATIONS

Morabia, K., Bhanu Murthy, N. L., Malapati, A., & Samant, S. (2019, June). **SEDTWik: Segmentation-based Event Detection from Tweets using Wikipedia**. In Proceedings of the 2019 Conference of the North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (**NAACL**): Student Research Workshop (pp. 77-85) [**Paper**] [**Code**]

## PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

### Building an Autonomous Vehicle

Sep '20 - Nov '20

- Collaborated in a **team of 6** to control a Polaris GEM e2 Autonomous Vehicle containing a LiDAR, Radar, and camera
- Programmed WASD keyboard keys to accelerate and steer vehicle using a **PID controller** and **ROS** Python commands
- Deployed pre-trained **YOLOv3** to stop vehicle on detecting a pedestrian

### Attention-based Joint Detection of Object and Semantic Part [arXiv:2007.02419] [Code]

Feb '20 - May '20

- Implemented a **PyTorch** model for simultaneous Object and Part detection by combining 2 **Faster-RCNN** models
- Applied a novel **Attention-based feature fusion** to learn enhanced representation for Object and Part proposals
- Improved **mean Average Precision** for Objects and Parts on **PASCAL-Part dataset**

## SKILLS

- **Programming:** Python, Java, C, C++, LaTeX, SQL, HTML, CSS, JavaScript
- **Other Technologies:** PyTorch, TensorFlow, AWS, Scikit-learn, GIT, Flutter, Android Studio, JUnit, Mockito

## LEADERSHIP AND HONORS

- Awarded **Merit Scholarship (Top 1%** out of **700** students at BITS Pilani, Hyderabad)
  - Organized cultural dance events as **President** of **150**-membered Gujarati Association - BITS Pilani, Hyderabad; attended by over **1000** students; raised **INR 30k** fund
- Aug '15 - May '19  
Jul '17 - May '18